

Notice of Allowability

Application No.

10/660,650

Examiner

Christopher Boswell

Applicant(s)

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-- The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address--

All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to the application filed September 12, 2003.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-34.
3. ☒ The drawings filed on 12 September 2003 are accepted by the Examiner.
4. ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 - a) ☒ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
 1. ☒ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* Certified copies not received: _____.

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5. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
 6. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
 - (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
 - 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
 - (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.
- Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
7. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

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| 1. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) | 5. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152) |
| 2. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) | 6. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413),
Paper No./Mail Date _____. |
| 3. <input type="checkbox"/> Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08),
Paper No./Mail Date _____ | 7. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Examiner's Amendment/Comment |
| 4. <input type="checkbox"/> Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit
of Biological Material | 8. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance |
| | 9. <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ |

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Bruce Troxell on May 12, 2004.

The application has been amended as follows: change the title to --Burglarproof lock for a computer--, as well as delete "or the likes" from claim 1, lines 1, 3, and 22; claim 2, line 1; claim 3, line 1; claim 3, line 1; claim 4, line 1; claim 5, line 1; claim 6, line 1; claim 7, line 1; claim 8, line 1; claim 9, line 1; claim 10, line 1; claim 11, line 1; claim 12, line 1; claim 13, line 1; claim 14, line 1; claim 15, line 1; claim 16, line 1; claim 17, line 1; claim 18, line 1; claim 19, line 1; claim 20, line 1; claim 21, line 1; claim 22, line 1; claim 23, line 1; claim 24, line 1; claim 25, line 1; claim 26, line 1; claim 27, line 1; claim 28, line 1; claim 29, line 1; claim 30, line 1; claim 31, line 1; claim 32, line 1; claim 33, line 1; claim 34, line 1.

Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 1-34 are allowed. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: The claims are allowable over the prior art of record because the teachings of the references taken as a whole do not teach or render obvious the combination set forth, including that of a computer lock with an axially reciprocally movable lock core and a complex bolt with

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an adjustment press button and a bolt member combined with the adjustment press button, where a space being defined between the adjustment press button and the bolt member.

U.S. Patent Number 6,212,922 to Miao discloses a locking device for a computer with a housing with a lock therein, a tool mounted on the lock core, detent means for engaging a lock bolt. However, Miao fails to suggest or teach the combination of an axially reciprocally movable lock core and a complex bolt consisting an adjustment press button and a bolt member.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Conclusion

The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure. The following patents are cited to further show the state of the art with respect to locking means for a computer, or combination locks:

U.S. Patent Number 6,523,373 to Su, U.S. Patent Number 6,522,532 to Liao et al., U.S. Patent Number 6,463,770 to Lee, U.S. Patent Number 6,401,502 to Yang, U.S. Patent Number 6,058,744 to Ling, U.S. Patent Number 5,934,120 to Kuo, U.S. Patent Number 5,288,241 to Davidge et al., U.S. Patent Number 5,220,815 to Davidge et al., U.S. Patent Number 5,190,465 to Davidge et al., U.S. Patent Number 4,610,152 to Düringer.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Christopher Boswell whose telephone number is (703) 305-4067. The examiner can normally be reached on 8:30 - 5:00 M-F.

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If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Daniel P. Stodola can be reached on (703) 308-2686. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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